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SUBJECT: INFESTED FLOUR CASE

REF: STATE 53026

1. WE HAVE LEARNED FROM GOB COMMERCE UNDERSECRETARY INARRA THAT ADM MILLING HAS REFILED CASE AGAINST GOB MINISTRY IND/COM IN DISTRICT OF COLOMBIA COURT. ACTION ASKS FOR \$850,305.71 IN DAMAGES PLUS INTEREST AND LEGAL COSTS AND POSSESSION OF FLOUR. (FLOUR APPARENTLY STILL BEING HELD BY AUTHORITIES IN MOBILE.) GOB MUST RESPOND BY JULY 14.

2. EMBASSY LAWYER JOYCE APPARENTLY SUCCESSFULLY ARGUED THAT CASE BE TRANSFERRED TO D.C. ALTHOUGH GOB HAS SEVERAL SOUND LEGAL ARGUMENTS ON MERITS OF CASE HE WILL APPARENTLY ALSO ARGUE AS DELAYING TACTIC THAT GOB IS EXEMPT UNDER SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY.

3. IN RESPONSE TO INARRA'S QUESTION WHETHER DISPUTE MIGHT DAMAGE GOB'S COMMERCIAL REPUTATION, EMBOFF OFFERED AS PERSONAL OPINION THAT IT WELL MIGHT. HE ALSO NOTED THAT SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY DEFINED NARROWLY IN U.S.

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